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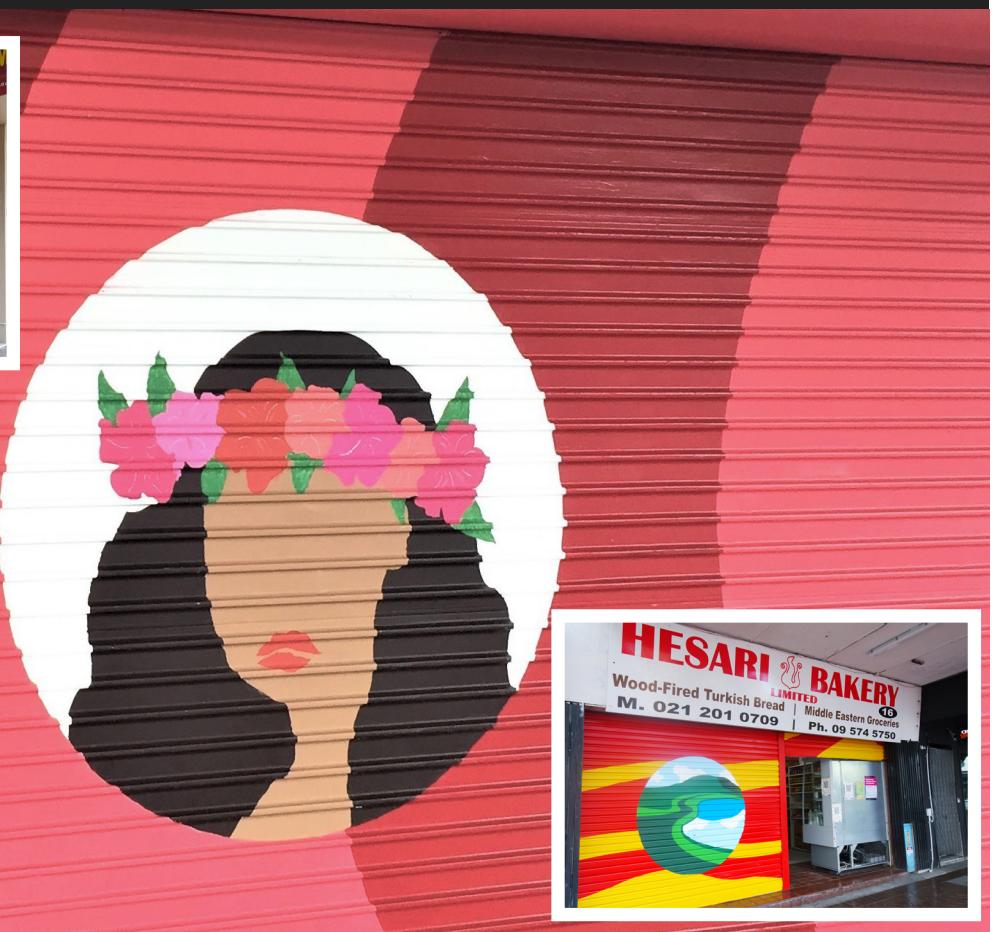
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# PANMURE

YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

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Left to Right: Blossom Court, Willow Hair Design, Hesari Bakery

## Roller Door project - tidying up the Town!

For a long time, members of the Panmure Business Association's Board have wanted to enliven Panmure's roller doors, as they make our town look a little sad when businesses lock up. With funding from Auckland Transport, we had a fantastic opportunity to add artwork to fifteen roller doors along Queens Rd.

An expression of interest went out to the arts community and three artists were chosen. Roller doors are not easy to paint with detail, so each design needed

to be simple. We are thrilled to have now completed three doors, and we thank the owners of Hesari Bakery, Willow Hair Design and Blossom Court for being so patient with the process.

Hesari's design was created by artist John Dempsey whose artwork recognises the significance of Maungarei, the Panmure Basin and the Tāmaki River. Willow Hair's was created by Leone Ikinepule, a Samoan artist with a strong sense of Tāmaki community and culture. Her design of a Pacifica girl wearing a hibiscus flower

head piece fitted beautifully with the roller door being on a hair studio. Blossom Court's design was created by Jia Luo, whose design "Tāmaki Blossoms" reflects the meeting of two cultures represented by the pohutukawa flower for New Zealand and the peony for China.

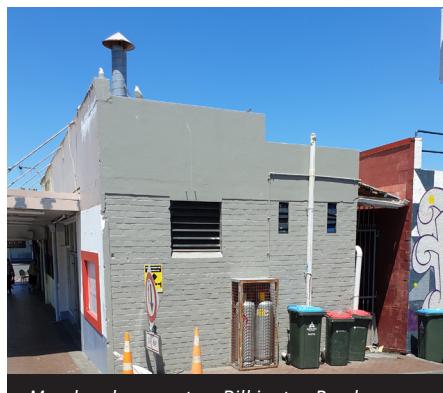
Preparation for installations on more roller doors is currently underway as well as an installation by Ngati Paoa iwi affiliated artists around the middle of the Town on the ShoeZone doors and around the Historic Mural alleyway.

## TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE

It is great to be back at work following a total hip replacement operation and recovery. It is a truly amazing operation that has given me a new lease of life.

Thank you to my very capable staff who have kept the Panmure Business Association (PBA) ticking over by competently dealing with the everyday problems in our town, and especially with the preparation, distribution, and collation of the business survey. This information is very helpful for our Board to find out more about the PBA business community and will help with preparations for the strategic plan update that is due this year.

The Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board have funded the PBA once again to assist us in removing a degraded mural that was installed in 2018. The mural was funded by the Local Board and was painted by local youth under the guidance of local artist Ross Liew. The rough brick surface proved to be problematic, so the lower part of the wall started to peel off. In recognition of the PBA's work in striving to improve the image of Town Centre by tidying up the rough edges, the Local Board funded the removal of the mural and the repainting of the wall for the building owner of 8 Pilkington Rd.



Mural replacement on Pilkington Road

In April's Newsletter, we featured the demise of the Panmure Library's old piano that was tinny and echoey. We put out a request for someone who might like to donate a newer piano to the Library and the staff's wishes were granted within a few days of the article going out. A local resident, who was downsizing, generously offered her much loved but 'too big for the new lounge' piano to the Library. The PBA covered the cost of moving the piano to the Library.



New piano at the Panmure Library

As it is now the halfway point in the current Local Board's term, it is time for a change in the leadership role that was decided following the Auckland Council elections in 2019.



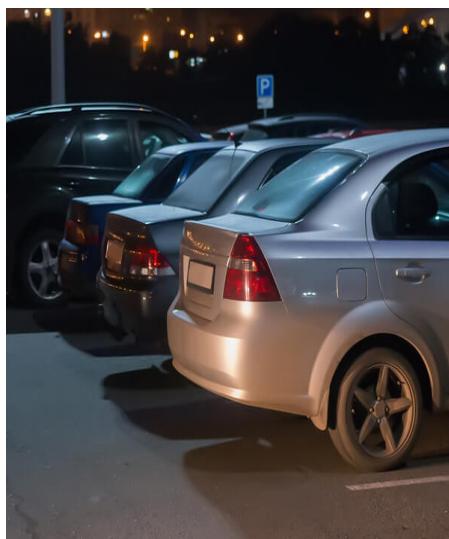
Maria Meredith, Chair of Local Board

Maria Meredith has stepped into the position as Chair of the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board, and Chris Makoare is now the Deputy Chair for the remainder of the current term.

*Chris Sutton  
Town Manager*

*The Panmure Business Association is proud to be one of fifty Business Improvement Districts (BID) across the Auckland region. With 21,500 building owners whose tenants bring in \$53 billion annually into the Auckland economy show the importance of the BID program's aim to support and promote the diverse range of business communities across the region.*

## SECURITY UPDATE



Please be aware of a group of antisocial young males who are currently roaming our town at night committing a variety of opportunist crime. They are on foot and bikes and are aged 9-14 years. Please ensure you do not leave any valuables in your car and immediately report to the police any criminal activity that you may see this group, or any other person, committing. Also let me know so I can gather footage to help police enquiries.

We ask Business owners to be aware of their surroundings and the areas around their business. We have recently had a report of a car that has been left

sitting in a council car park for over two years. We have now reported this. We encourage you to report similar incidents to Auckland Council or the appropriate authority and also let me know.

*Taniela Kaivelata  
Security Liaison Officer*

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## SPOTLIGHT ON PANMURE BUSINESSES

### A Cut for Royalty

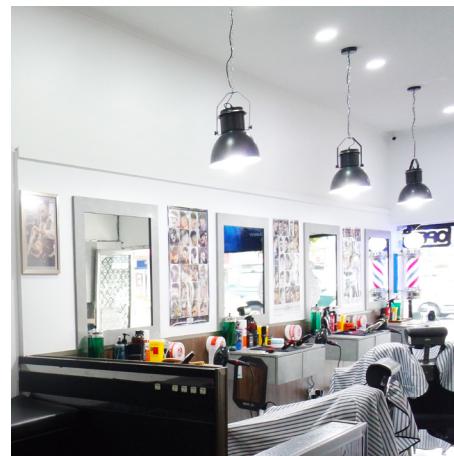
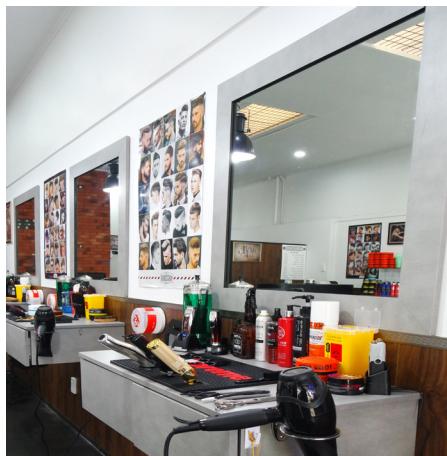
#### KING CUTS BARBER SHOP

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We do love a good haircut in Panmure! Gentlemen in town will be looking sharp after a visit to the newly opened King Cuts Barber Shop. Opened this month, the family-owned business is keen to make their mark in the community. Chatting with manager Sabah (who is a fully qualified hairdresser with 10 yrs+ experience), it's clear that they want to deliver a great haircut at a reasonable price. He explained about their loyalty program: "we like to reward our customers, so they'll receive a free hair gel after 5 visits and a free haircut on their 8th visit, we know its going to be very popular with the locals". Offering complimentary hot towels with their beard styling, there's also a hair washing service which customers will enjoy. Sabah said "we love Panmure, we know the area well. We are excited to be in the heart of Panmure and look forward to meeting our new customers!"



### Stylishly Renovated Ambula

#### AMBULA RESTAURANT

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Ambula have added a touch of sleek timbered sophistication to their Panmure restaurant. Already

renowned for their tasty and authentic Sri Lankan cuisine, their new modern décor makes for stylish surrounds while dining in or calling in to pick up your takeaway. Every Saturday and Sunday Ambula features a lunch and dinner Buffet. The delicious buffet includes a variety of authentic Sri Lankan vegetable curry dishes, meat and seafood dishes with an impressive 16 options to choose from. The Saturday special is Lamprais, an

aromatic dish of turmeric rice wrapped and cooked in a banana leaf, an absolute favourite with locals. Every day specials are rice and curries, kottu, fried rice, nasi goreng, noodles and string hoppers as well as tasty Sri Lankan bakery items. Ambula is open from 9am until 9pm Monday to Sunday. Lunch is served between 12.30 pm to 4.30pm, with dinner being available from 5.00pm.



# Green - not Sticky - Fingers!

**T**hank you to the lovely team at Ventia for the new plants and mulch for the gardens and median strip throughout our Town Centre. It is wonderful to see our gardens rejuvenated and we hope that not too many people are sticky fingered and think that the plants would look good in their own gardens. They were a hard working team, and rather brave working in the central divide on Queens Road.

**I**t was timely that the two gardens under the new panoramic photos in Pilkington Road were also planted, this time by members of the Panmure Historic Society. Terri Marchant, Patrick O'Mera and Andy Freer were delighted to be part of this Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board funded project that was delivered by Fresh Concept on behalf of Panuku Development Auckland. Be sure to make time to visit the historic Stone Cottage (every second Sunday) at the Eastern end of the Panmure Town Centre and learn more about our wonderful heritage.



The Ventia team hard at work



Fresh new planting on Queens Road



Patrick and Terri of the Historical Society



Lovely planting by Historical Society

# Keeping it clean in Panmure

**A**bright and sparkly start at Sushi and Sushi on Pilkington Road today! We found the sushi shop owner showing love and care to her building this morning, so had to take a quick snap. We love businesses that keep their premises clean and tidy as it helps to contribute to the overall impression of Panmure. Keep cleaning those windows Team Panmure! And don't forget to pay Sushi and Sushi a visit today, their sushi is fresh and delicious. 4-6 Pilkington Road, Panmure. 09 527 6677.



Squeaky clean windows at Sushi and Sushi

# Buy Bread Online

**S**yilia's Bakery is always a crowd pleaser, with the wonderful array of beautiful delicious German baking.

Sylvia specializes in hand crafted breads, buns, brezel (also known as Pretzel), pastries and cakes – and now it's all available to order online.

Order all your favourites from the comfort of your couch, pick up the next day, then ENJOY! It couldn't be simpler!



### SYLVIA'S BAKERY

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